States and cities on target of terrorists

†1766. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has sounded high alert owning to infiltration of terrorists and extremists in different part of the country;

(b) if so, the States and the cities which are on the target of terrorists according to Government; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the 413 terrorist attacks are increasing in absence of full proof planning to arrest terrorists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) Available information about plans of terrorist outfits to carry out terrorist attacks is shared by the Central security and intelligence agencies with the State police authorities from time to time. It may however not be in public interest to disclose details in this regard. Further, there is a continuous process and channel of communication between the Central and State agencies, and advisories on possible threats, reinforcement of security arrangements, *etc.* are issued by the Central security agencies, as a result in thereof a number of terrorist modules have been interdicted and possible terrorist attacks averted.

Arming NDMA with equipment and trained manpower

1767. DR. JANARDHAN WAGHMARE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Disaster Management Authority has adequately been armed with necessary equipment and trained manpower;

(b) whether it has prepared a comprehensive plan or roadmap to mitigate natural disaster across the country such as deluge, cyclone or earthquake occurring very frequently;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, what are the hurdles or difficulties?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RADHIKA V. SELVI): (a) National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) for the purpose of specialist response to a threatening disaster situation or disaster has been constituted. General superintendence, direction and control of the NDRF rests with National Disaster Management Authority. Seven Battalions of NDRF are in the process of being equipped and operationalised. Eighth Battalion is being raised.

(b) National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has submitted a draft National Policy on Disaster Management, which is under consideration of the Government. NDMA has also issued guidelines related to different types of disasters including flood, cyclone and earthquake

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